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8	BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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12	In the Matter of) FPPC No.: 2000/388
13 14	CINDY MONTANEZ, CINDY MONTANEZ FOR CITY COUNCIL '99, and STEVEN VERES, STIPULATION, DECISION and ORDER
15 16	Respondents.
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18	Complainant, Mark Krausse, Executive Director of the Fair Political Practices Commission, and
19	Respondents, Cindy Montanez, Cindy Montanez for City Council '99, and Steven Veres hereby agree
20	that this Stipulation will be submitted for consideration by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its
21	next regularly scheduled meeting.
22	The parties agree to enter this Stipulation to resolve all factual and legal issues raised in this
23	matter and to reach a final disposition without the necessity of holding an administrative hearing to
24	determine the liability of Respondents.
25	Respondents understand, and hereby knowingly and voluntarily waive, any and all procedural
26	rights set forth in sections 83115.5 and 11503 of the Government Code, and in section 18361 of Title 2
27	of the California Code of Regulations. This includes but is not limited to the right to personally appear
28	at any administrative hearing held in this matter, to be represented by an attorney at Respondents' own
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expense, to confront and cross-examine all witnesses testifying at the hearing, to subpoena witnesses to testify at the hearing and to have an impartial administrative law judge preside over the hearing as a hearing officer.

It is further stipulated and agreed that Respondents committed three violations of the Political Reform Act by failing to timely file two semiannual campaign statements and a statement of economic interests, in violation of sections 84200, subdivision (a), and 87203 of the Government Code as described in Exhibit 1, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Exhibit 1 is a true and accurate summary of the facts in this matter.

Respondents agree to the issuance of the Decision and Order, which is attached hereto.

Respondents Cindy Montanez, Cindy Montanez for City Council '99, and Steven Veres agree to the Commission imposing an administrative penalty upon them in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for Counts One and Two. Respondent, Cindy Montanez, also agrees to the Commission imposing upon her an administrative penalty in the amount of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600) for Count Three. Respondents have submitted with this Stipulation one or more cashier checks, made payable to the "General Fund of the State of California," as full payment of the administrative penalty, to be held by the State of California until the Commission issues its Decision and Order regarding this matter. The parties agree that in the event the Commission refuses to accept this Stipulation, it shall become null and void, and within fifteen (15) business days after the Commission meeting at which the Stipulation is rejected, all payments tendered by Respondents in connection with this Stipulation shall be reimbursed to Respondents. Respondents further stipulate and agree that in the event the Commission rejects the Stipulation and a full evidentiary hearing before the Commission becomes necessary, neither any member of the Commission, nor the Executive Director, shall be disqualified because of prior consideration of this Stipulation.

Dated: 12/12/01

Mark Krausse, Executive Director Fair Political Practices Commission

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Cindy Montanez, Respondent

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2	Dated: 200 Steven Veres, individually and on behalf of
3	Cindy/Montanez for City Council '99, Respondents
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6	DECISION AND ORDER
7	The foregoing stipulation of the parties "In the Matter of Cindy Montanez et al, FPPC No.
8	2000/388," including all attached exhibits, is hereby accepted as the final decision and order of the Fair
9	Political Practices Commission, effective upon execution below by the Chairman.
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11	IT IS SO ORDERED.
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13	Dated: Karen A. Getman, Chairman
14	Fair Political Practices Commission
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